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Comment: Northeast NPR-A Planning Area

Dear Northeast Planning Area,

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General

I know you are getting blasted with form letters from various environmental groups, and probably from the oil companies also. I am writing with an independant opinion neither blindly supporting nor protesting the decision to open up the reserve. I feel that both extremes are important, the need to provide an independant source of energy, as well as the requirement to protect the environment. I do believe that with the right comprimises and concessions, the oil companies can be allowed to bring the wealth of energy to market without damage to the environment. I have been to Alaska and seen the existing pipeline. Seeing this and realizing that it is relatively old technology, I believe that it is possible to develop the area without harming the environment and the wildlife that may be there. I therefore urge you to consider both sides and allow opening up the reserve, but putting serious constraints on the design, construction and operation of this.

Sincerely,

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Attached: None